

# ***Painting, Recapping, and Winching***

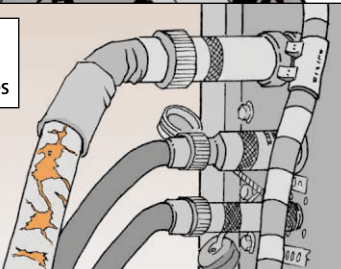
HERE ARE A FEW THINGS  
TO REMEMBER ABOUT YOUR  
PATRIOT WHEN IT COMES TO  
HAVING IT PAINTED OR  
REPLACING ITS TIRES.



## **Painting**

Before any Patriot components go to the paint booth, either remove their cables or tape them. Paint makes the cables less flexible and starts dry rot. A trip to the paint booth can end up costing you thousands in ruined cables.

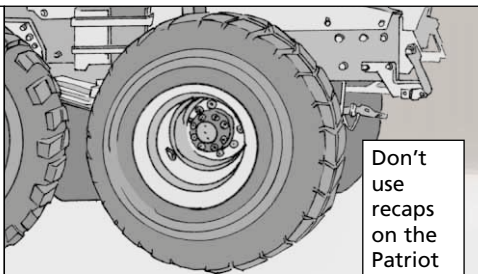
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## **Replacing tires**

When it's time to replace Patriot tires, never try to save a few dollars by using recaps. Because of the weight and cost of the Patriot components, the Army wants only new tires as replacements on Patriot trucks and trailers.

Don't  
use  
recaps  
on the  
Patriot



## **Winch PMCS**

It gets little attention, but if the HEMTT tire davit winch fails, the crank can take off your head. Weekly, check the winch's gears for cracked or missing teeth and the winch for corrosion. If you spot problems, report them. Don't use the winch until it's fixed.

Check tire winch for  
corrosion and cracked  
or missing teeth

